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FROM: John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D.  
Interim Director

SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF USE DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO  
EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE INPATIENT  
INTENSIVIST AND HOSPITALIST SERVICES AGREEMENT  
WITH PRIMARY CRITICAL CARE MEDICAL GROUP FOR  
THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 15, 2008 THROUGH  
NOVEMBER 30, 2009**

John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D.  
Interim Director

Robert G. Splawn, M.D.  
Interim Chief Medical Officer

This is to advise your Board that the Department of Health Services is exercising its delegated authority, approved on August 14, 2007, authorizing the Director, in conjunction with the Chief Executive Office (CEO), to execute amendments with Primary Critical Care Medical Group (PCCMG) to extend PCCMG services to additional County facilities, subject to review and approval of County Counsel.

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This Amendment allows LAC+USC Medical Center to place a PCCMG Hospitalist in its Emergency Department to identify patients eligible for the safe and medically appropriate transfer to Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (Rancho) inpatient beds. Directly admitting LAC+USC Medical Center emergency patients to Rancho will add admission and census capacity at LAC+USC Medical Center.

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This Amendment No. 5 will not increase the contract maximum obligation and will be funded through Rancho's current PCCMG budget.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved Amendment No. 5 to Agreement No. 75936 as to form. The CEO has also reviewed and approved the Amendment.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

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